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SPECIAL OFFERING OF HYBRID, STRAP-LEAF VANDAS

Repeatedly, I have offered fine hybrid Vandas in the form of seedlings, and many of you Ryerson customers bought one or more of each kind to add to your collections. Have any of those seedlings flowered for you? If so, I would like to hear from you. How many flowers were on the first spikes? What size, shape and color combinations? Do they tend to be continuous flowering, with new spikes appearing before the old ones fade?

When first offering #22-V, VANDA KALIKI BEAUTY X VANDA LUZONICA, I predicted this would be the first of the group to bloom, for while it was the same age as the others, the seedlings were the largest and strongest growing of the lot.

Well, the first are beginning to bloom now, averaging ten flowers per spike, individual flowers two to three inches across; heavy wax-like texture; cream to delicate pink, profusely dotted with crimson to maroon. They are very long lasting, remaining fresh and crisp for a month or more.

Successive spikes and blooms tend to increase in size. Like many of the Vanda hybrids, these are practically continuous flower producers, new spikes appearing as the older ones fade. For even you Northern growers, your Vandas will do fine outdoors this Summer. Give them at least 50% sunlight, or more if increased gradually so the leaves won't burn. (See Page Q, "LET'S TALK ABOUT VANDAS".)

Have you ever made an Orchid corsage with three or more strap-leaf Vandas? They add just the right touch to a daytime dress or tailored suit; they last so long you can wear them again and again; where a showy Cattleya might make the business girl feel overdressed, Vandas complete the picture of correctness. (See Pages O, P.)

#22-V - V. KALIKI BEAUTY X V. LUZONICA, average height, 15 inches, fan-like width, 18 inches. Should flower this Spring or Summer if treated as suggested.

#24-V - V. DENISONIANA X V. SANDERIANA, same age but not as large plants, and none have flowered for us. May require an additional season's growth. Should produce many yellows, with pink, orange, bronze and russet brown markings.

One plant.....\$15.00; Two plants (same hybrid or one each).....\$25.00  
Five plants (all of a kind or assorted, your choice).....\$50.00

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please ship VANDA HYBRIDS described above, in 5-inch pots, \_\_\_\_\_ plants of #22-V; \_\_\_\_\_ plants of #24-V. Include Page Q, "LET'S TALK ABOUT VANDAS" ☐ Pages O and P, "LET'S TALK ABOUT CUT BLOOMS AND CORSAGES" ☐

Ship via Railway Express to:

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